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1.

The 1954 investment plan of the MV Strassenwesen which envisages a total expenditure of 54 million DEM was fulfilled only 12.6 percent during the first quarter of 1954. Originally, the plan was scheduled to be fulfilled 10 percent during this period. In the field of road and bridge construction work, the failure to fulfill the prescribed quotas was explained by a delay in the preparation of projects. The long frost period during the period under review was also mentioned in this respect. The conclusion of construction and delivery contracts was delayed by the belated publication of the new directives for the calculations of costs of services. The delivery of materials required for the reconstruction of the Elbe River bridge at Hohenwerthe was delayed because of repair work on the train of rollers at the Ilsenburg rolling mill. Delays also occurred in the delivery of gravel.

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the February 1954 fuel consumption of trucks licensed for haulage operations was as follows:

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gasoline	17,050,000 liter	=	12,785.5 metric tons
Diesel oil	9,150,000 kg	=	9,150.0 " "
generator gas	1,275,000 liter	=	892.5 " "

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data on the haulage performance by East German motor vehicles

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	February	March
freight carried	9,894,000 tons	11,632,000 tons
number of ton/km run	136,893,000	223,934,000
freight space offered in terms of ton/km	349,135,000	360,228,000
number of kilometers run with load	96,242,000	109,561,000

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	<u>February</u>	<u>March</u>	
number of kilometers run while empty	24,938,000	29,632,000	25X1
amount of payload kilometers	121,180,000	139,173,000	

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1. Comment. Information on the 1954 road construction program and the bridge construction program was transmitted previously. . The non-fulfilment of plans during the first quarter of 1954 was mainly due to a shortage of materials and freight space.
2. Comment. The consumption of motor vehicle fuel slightly decreased compared with the consumption in January 1954. Gasoline allocations decreased by approximately 1,000 tons, generator gas allocations by about 130 tons, while Diesel oil allocations increased by about 200 tons. .
3. Comment. Compared with the January 1954 level, the volume of haulage for February decreased, while in March the January level was reached again.

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